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#### THE USE OF THE PARKS

Whether one prefers to have parks kept in a state of immaculate beauty just to look at, or would rather be permitted to walk about and sit in them, is largely a matter of the point of view. Broadly speaking, persons who own automobiles seem to develop highly esthetic tastes along this line, and it hurts them to see anyone walking on the grass. Those who must walk, and children, prefer to use the grass more intimately.

The gentlemen who regulate Potomac Park and the Capitol grounds this year have adopted the former viewpoint. They have decided to keep the ellipse, back of the White House, and the lawns about the Capitol, in velvety condition by not allowing persons to walk on them.

For most of the residents of Capitol Hill the restriction on the Capitol grounds is a distinct annoyance. That was a play spot of East Washington, none too well equipped with parks, and there children found welcome diversion.

For those who must walk southward to the Bureau of Engraving caucus the right first to muzzle men and Printing the restriction upon the ellipse is a decided inconvenience. It is a mile around that tract, and it makes an appreciable added distance for those who have to walk around instead of across it.

Colonel Roosevelt, when President was responsible for removing the "Keep off the Grass" signs that adorned the public grounds of the city. From that time until now the public has been allowed wide latitude in parks, and no one has noticed any injury. Especially has such permission seemed desirable in Potomac Park where large areas allow breathing space during Washington's warm summers. There even has been a movement on foot to obtain the Republican candidate for mayor better transportation facilities to the was successful, the political prophets water front park so that it may be announced it was all over for the more widely used.

### EUROPE'S EYES ON HIM

There is one man in Rome upon whose failure or success may hang the fate of empires. He already has succeeded in holding back, possibly for months, millions of soldiers ready to wound Austria mortally. Von Hindenburg, von Mackensen, von Kluck and other generals may succeed in smashing back the rush of enemies, but they lose thousands of lives in the operation. This man in Rome has shed no blood, yet his victories to date have been of as great importance to the Teutonic allies as any won by desperate battle.

Prince von Buelow is the man. He is to be reckoned among the astutest diplomats of the age. Emperor William soon after the war began removed his ambassador to Italy to make place for this old statesman, schooled in the affairs of nations under the great Bismarck, and in him the representatives of the allied powers at Rome have found an opponent not to be despised. He has revived the best traditions of German statecraft. He has the world guess-

In the beginning of his negotiations, Prince von Buelow seemed doomed to certain defeat. For several weeks observers have been expecting Italy to shed her neutrality at any moment. But though from all the arguments and facts put before it the world sees Italy's advantage to be on the side of the allies, Italy hesitates. And von Buelow is as silent as the Sphinx.

Italy is fully prepared. Her armies are equipped and trained, her fleet assembled. There needs but the command, which is withheld, and her delay strengthens the Austro-Germans, while conferring no benefit upon the allies. If Italy desires glory as well as reward, she Baltimore, therefore, has a peculiar cannot much longer postpone her decision, if it is ultimately to be for war against the dual alliance. If she permits the supreme moment to pass, the likelihood is that she will not be a welcome ally to the triple entente, and, with her prospects dissuch an event von Buelow's mission will have been accomplished.

## WORKS ON THE FILIBUSTER

limiting debate in the Senate. He of the normal man or woman. named, as three great evils in present legislative methods, Executive in- apropos of the production of trunkterference with the legislature, the fuls of political letters of the long secret caucus, and the filibuster. And ago at Syracuse, why on earth it is he reached the conclusion that so that men preserve political epistles? long as the first two persist, the They are almost always embarrassthird will be necessary because it is ing when they come, long afterward,

A vast deal of loose discussion stroy them instanter?

It happens to be a fact that the pub- cated a world as this. lic at large inclines to repose more A politician writes to a political

recting Congress, does not stand who let Congress do as it pleased.

The secret caucus and the filibuster are twin evils; they are likely to persist together so long as either of them lasts. The secret caucus is ing them from getting publicity. buster. So is the privilege of talk- are really exceedingly few in coming without limit, which may become parison to the numbers of letters a filibuster at any time. The mere written and preserved. threat of a filibuster, the fact that

cloture rule, Senator Norris drafted a proposal to establish a method of ending debate, which might be invoked except to close debate on a proposition that had been made the policy of a party caucus. He would and then to handcuff the body. This seems a reasonable solution of the question; and Senator Works apparently sympathizes with the essence of the Norris plan.

#### THE BALTIMORE ELECTION

Considered from a national standpoint the victory in Baltimore yesterday of Mayor Preston, Democrat, who was re-elected by the largest majority ever given any candidate for the office, will offer little consolation to those who have been reading a Republican landslide next year in the results of scattered municipal and State elections this year. Following the upset in Chicago when Democrats next year, and the same prophecies have followed other minor Republican successes. Now comes the Baltimore election to upset all these prophecies and leave the political calculators high and

As a matter of fact if the trend had been as heavily Republican as the prophets contended, the situation in Baltimore was an ideal one for proving it. Mayor Preston in his four years in office had made many strong enemies and was so vulnerable that with the tide drifting strongly against his party, even the weak candidate against him ought to have gotten a majority. But the results show not only that Preston,

Democrat, got the biggest majority given a mayor in Baltimore total vote was many thousands larger than the biggest previous vote for any Democrat in Baltimore city, including even the Democratic vote for President in 1912.

In its purely local aspects the re-

sult of the election in Baltimore yesterday is very significant. Mayor Preston is a man of wide ambitions and his friends very frankly say that his decision to run again for mayor was reached only after much consideration of its effect on his political future. There seems little doubt that Preston and Senator Blair Lee have a thorough understanding as a result of which the Democratic organization in Baltimore city, controlled by Preston. will combine with the Lee organization throughout the State to fight by Senator John Walter Smith. The first move in this fight will be to make Blair Lee governor of Maryland and with Lee in the historic chair at Annapolis, the way will be cleared for Preston to become United States Senator. The election in interest to Washington in that it

#### Senatorial delegation. POLITICAL LETTER WRITING

There is no occupation in which sipated, would remain at peace. In is so persistent or so great as in the temptation to write fool letters politics; unless perhaps exception should be made of love-making, which has doubtless superinduced foreign nation, an alien army would more highfalutin' literary tommyrot never be able to force its way past Senator Works of California, than any other human interest. But one of our end seat hogs. speaking before the City Club of Los it need not be considered here, be-Angeles, discussed the question of cause it is not quite an occupation

Somebody has solemnly asked, used as a weapon to fight the others. to public attention, So why not de-

The Washington Cimes been indulged, dating particularly is innnocent beyond compare. He Rossevelt Administration, has no business living in so sophistifrom the Roosevelt Administration, has no business living in so sophisti-

> confidence in the Executive than in friend, asking a favor, offering ad-Congress. Congress realizes and be- vice, or just tendering a casual commoans this fact; but it is a fact. ment. Both being politicians, each It was under Roosevelt; it is under knows that their alignments may Wilson; it was under McKinley; change later, and they may be three very different men, but all of enemies in the next campaign. The them able to hold the public's sym- man who writes the letter can't say pathy in their efforts to compel Con- "Please send me back this letter; I gress to "do business." The public don't want to risk it turning up some entertains the opinion that somebody time when you're against me." To Party. must drive Congress, and has come do that would be to insult his corto accept that this is the President's respondent. So he takes the chance, and preserves a copy, with the an-The weak Executive who abdicates swer he receives. In most cases the this function of forcing and even di- two make such a showing that neither party cares to make them well with the public. Vide Mr. Taft, public when, later on, the rift ap-

The careful preservation of letters by politicians, in short, is one of the most effective means of keep-

But they are numerous enough to

Chancellor Lloyd - George last night told the commons that Great Britain is willing to go ahead as hand of Marietta furnishes the theme chief banker of the allies and as protector of their supremacy on the sea; but she cannot in addition to give general business a chance; but these functions be expected also to he would deny to the secret, binding contribute soldiers by the million,

contribute soldiers by the million, indefinitely. There will be "discrmination" hereafter in recruiting.

Inevitably, this pronouncement will be seized upon by the dual alliance as testimony that Britain is weakening. There has been ample ovidence already of the Communication of the Channeling Pollock and Rennoid Wolf Channeling Pollock and Rennoid Wolf Channeling Pollock and Rennoid Wolf Channeling Pollock and Pennoid Pollock evidence already of the German disposition to make the most of expressions suggesting British division of opinion about the conduct of the Mr. Lloyd-George's observations part. were intended quite as much for the

contemplation of Rome as of Berlin. Britain is doing a very fair share in the cause of the triple entente. Riley Italy, whose interests plainly lie with the entente, and whose sentiment is than neutrality.

what fine promises may be made to-day by German diplomacy, the used on tour by the original company. Harris: Henry W. Fisher, jr., Martin, and Jacob Lenovitz and Philbrick Mc-Italian nation makes no mistake in its determined and overwhelming sympathy for the entente. It has repeatedly been declared that there would be revolution if Italy's government should attempt to unite its forces with those of Austria and Germany. The Italian nation would far rather enter the war on the side in recent years, but also that his of the entente than to see the entente defeated.

There has been some clever and mysterious diplomatic dealing at Rome, and Germany thus far has come off winner in that game. She has balked the efforts of the entente to bring Italy and Roumania into the war. Mr. Lloyd-George's observations read very much like an admonition to Italy to think prayerfully of the ultimate consequences before she adopts a course of ultimate neutrality with a bribe from sort of neutrality would make her half-way the enemy of the entente.

Beyond all this, Italy has been and yet is one of the most important tional way that it is nothing gateways through which Germany and Austria have been looking out powers. The time seems very appropriate for somebody to inform Italy, on behalf of the entente, that she must get in soon as a friend, or depend on the friendship of Germany and Austria, if she cares to take chances on that sort of friendpresages a change in Maryland's ship. Mulling over what the chancellor has said, Rome may realize that her time for action is ripe.

If any more Norwegian and Swedish vessels are sunk, there is grave possibility of Minnesota closing the embassy in Berlin.

In event of difficulty with

When Italy enters the embroglio, a merchant vessel will have the choice of being sunk in any language her captain prefers.

In electing a President for seven years, Venezuela probably figures on his inability to escape to Europe because of the war.

That suffragist "melting pot" may melt everything in the world save held at the New Willard Sesterday.

Mrs. Archibald Young, vice president, bout Executive interference has The editor who asks this question Senator Hefflinger's heart.

# Attractions Coming To Washington

The Chicago Little Theater company will produce Euripides' famous tragedy Trojan Women," at the Columbia Theater Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. in the interests of the Woman's Peace

The company is making a tour of the larger cities of the country with this play, which was revived by it several seasons ago and produced not only because of its antiquity, having been written three centuries before the Christian era, but because of its dramatic perfections.

At the time of its first production in Chicago it attracted attention of stu-dents of the drama from every section of the country. But one performance of the country. But one pe will be given in Washington.

Victor Herbert's "Naughty Marietta,"

in which Mme. Trentini scored her an anachronism, and so is the fili- The cases in which they get publicity greatest hit, is to be the vehicle for the display of the abilities of the members of the Columbia Musical Stock Company next week. The American composer is regarded as having done the best work of his career in this piece. "Naughty Marietta" tells the story of a Senator or a group of Senators have the power to resort to such a weapon, changes the whole legislative situation.

In the later days of last session, when there was much threat of a cloture rule Senator Norris drafted.

Make it still a good rule in politics—and in love—to walk a very long way to say it, rather than to write it down.

A WARNING FROM ENGLAND

Raughty Marietta tells the story of a young Italian noblewoman who ran away from home and was sent to New Orleans as one of the marriageable girls sent out by the King of France to become the wives of his American subjects. Capt. Richard Warrington, an American, and Capt. Etienne Grandet, a fashionable youth of New Orleans, fall in love with the pretty Italian of woman. Gradet is a polished villain of fall in love with the pretty transfer fall in love with the pretty woman. Gradet is a polished villain of warrington, on woman. Gradet is a political true comic opera style. Warrington, on the other hand, is a genuine American. The contest between the two for the furnishes the theme

> The third offering of the Aborn seaon of musical comedy at the New National Theater will bring "The Red Widow" as the attraction next week.

for the opera.

promising fact by compelling him to share his passport to Russia with her. Complications which would be tragic in real life, but which are only ludicrous as presented in this piece, are brought

The title role of "The Red Widow war. But the guess is ventured that will be assumed by Lillian Concord, who Robinson Newbold, who has interpreted characters originatel by Ray-mond Hitchcock in former Aborn sea-sons here, will personate Colonel Butts. Dixie Blair, William Pruette, jr., Nelson Riley, Joseph Carter, Inez Bauer, Herbert Hall, and Theodore Martin

The story of the gentleman who shut overwhelmingly on that side, is doing himself up in a summer hotel to write a popular novel in twenty-four hours. nothing. It is not hard to imagine under the impression that he had the a British cabinet council in which it was decided that the chancellor Poli Players next week in "Seven Keys" dramatic association organized last fall. should thus convey to Italy the sug-gestion that it is up to her to make sers interesting book. As the title suggests there were really

As the fille suggests there were really seven keys to Baldpate and during the same cast will be seen in the performance of the twenty-four hours the young author had wagered he could write the story each of those seven keys the part of Mr. Darcy; George write the story each of those seven keys and the part of Mr. Darcy; George the par

The "Spring Fashion Show of 1915." produced by the Keith management ex-clusively for their own theaters, will be presented at the B. F. Keith Theater Schaaf, Lady Lucas: Hannah Dorrittee resented at the B. F. Keith Invate:

Schaaf, Lady Lucas; Clara Conrard, Misser on the second of the twenty handsome models

Leading the twenty handsome models

Leading the twenty handsome models

Catherine de Bourg; Esther Brooking. here next week.

exhibiting the various bewitching gowns Catherine de Bourg: Esther Brook for indoor and outdoor wear, is Mrs. Hill, and Eurenis Mauldin, Martha. The regular vaudeville features will 16, violini to headed by Willard, "The Man Who baritone, frows." Nellie V. Nichols, the cometion of Michael Company of the Company of lienne, will propound another nationlity song conundrum. The balance of "Colonial Days," Joseph Hart's comedy,
"A Telephone Tangle," with Dorothy "A Telephone Tangle," with Dorothy Regal, Lightner and Jordan, in songs and dances, and Kurtis comedy roosters.

Sunday next the B. F. Keith electrical Normal School will follow the perform-

sunday next the B. P. Keth electrical Norms accoreboard will show at the matinee at 3 the interesting details of the Washngton-Detroit game at Detroit, in addition both afternoon and evening the full vaudeville bill of the current week will produced including Nazimova in War Brides."

"With the Fighting Forces of Eu- Interstate Commission Will Not rope" continues its 3:30 daily matinee Vienna and Berlin as its price. That at the Belasco Theater, so that the boys and girls can have plenty of time sixteen pictures shown in Kinemacolor. J. Malcom Dunn gives a most inter sons," and is greatly enjoyed.

Manager George Peck, of the Gavets at the world since the war began. Theater, who is to retire from active the old State organization controlled Italy has been thriftily cashing in service after more than half a century of managerial reign, is to be given a increasing disaffection of the entente increasing disaffection of the entente a match between Joe Turner, weight champion, and Fritz Hanson, Swedish champion. Hanson has defeat-ed some of the best middleweight men n the country. Turner's work is well known to Washingtonians. In the preliminary bout Bumps Turner, lightweight champion of Washington.

and Sailor Nokes, lightweight champion of the navy, have been matched.

The headliner of the Cosmos Theater bill the last half of this week, beginning with the Thursday matinees, is Leona Stephens and Billy Wilson, in "Putting On an Act." a comedy with an abun dance of snappy musical numbers. Another special offering will be Mile. Jean Vernie, a pupil of Mile. Paylowa, with Bouton and Parker bring their "Yard of Music." Dorothy Richmond and Anthony League, tomorrow evening company will offer a comedy. "Must at 8:30 at the home of Mrs. Nanette lave a Husband;" Harry Coleman is a B. Paul, 2007 Columbia road northsinging ventriloquist, and Dreno and Goodwin complete the list with songs, dances, and comedy. On game days, the story of the home club's games abroad will be added attractions. Sunday's concerts from 3 to 10:30 p. m. will present a concert program by the

### Relief Society Holds Final Meeting of Year

of all committee reports and matters which have been pending, the Southern Relief Society has adjourned for the

The final meeting of the season was occupied the chair.

# Many Events Arranged PIGNATELLI AND BRIDE-For Washington Today NOW ON HONEYMOON

Meetings and Entertainments To Be Held in Every Section of the City By Various Societies.

#### Today.

meeting, Rubenstein 'Club, oal room, Raleigh, 10:30 a. m Meeting, Association of Oldest Inhabitants. Union Engine House, Nineteenth and H streets northwest, 7:30 p. m. Meeting, Hoard of Education, Franklin School, 3:30 p. m. Anniversary exercises, Gallaudet College, 3 p. m. Reception, home of president, 4:30

School, 2:30 p. m.

Anniversary exercises, Gallaudet College, 3 p. m. Reception, home of president, 4:30 to 5 p. m.

Meeting, Workmen's Circle, Branch 5:3, 5il E street northwest, 5:15 p. m.

Masonic-King Solomon, No. 31; East Gate, No. 34; Brightwood, No. 9, Royal Arch Masons; Potomac, No. 3, Knights Templar; Areme, No. 10, Eastern Star.

Odd Fellows-Eastern, No. 7; Harmony, No. 9; Mount Nebo, No. 8, Encampment; Re-Bekah Assembly Home Circle.

Knights of Pythias-Mount Vernon, No. 8 Hermoine, No. 12; Friendship Temple, No. 9, Pythian Sisters

Woodmen of the World-Potomac Camp, No. 16140.

Royal Arcanum-Municipal Council, Francis Scott Key Council.

Meeting, Gen. M. Emmet Urell Camp, No. 9, United Spanish War Veterans, 1101 E street northwest, 8 p. m.

Meeting, Gord, M. Emmet Urell Camp, No. 9, United Spanish War Veterans, 1101 E street northwest, 8 p. m.

Meeting, dovisory board of the Association of Masonic Clubs in the Government Service, New Ebbitt, 8 p. m.

Circus, Men's Club of St. Stephen's Church, In church, Fourteenth street and Columbia road northwest, 8 p. m.

Steele Mackaye, will be presented as the

School at Wilson Normal School Fri-

The proceeds will be used to defray the

expenses of athletics and other interests

16, violinist, and William Harrison, 19, baritone. The music is under the direc-tion of Mrs. C. V. Byram.

Miss Margaret Merrill, instructor of

costuming: Miss N. J. McKnight, re-freshments: Ruszell Collins, dancing; Walter O'Brien, seating, and Harold

FOR UNDERCHARGES

Allow Meetings With Rail-

roads After July 1.

After August 1 the Interstate Com-

merce Commission will hear informally

no more railroad applications for auth-

ority to waive undercharges on ship-

ments delivered later than July 1, it

Such informal hearings were custom-

ary, it was explained, where under-

charges supposedly were accidental.

The commission says, however, that

the custom was abused, numerous un-

dercharges, really rebates, having been

derstanding that the carriers would

later to the commission

This was declared unlawful and dis-

criminatory, and the carriers were warned that in future they will have to

defend each individual case at a for

The Rev. J. J. Dimon will give an

Obtains Guard's Range

Use of the National Guard rifle range

at Congress Heights has been obtained

by the George Washington University Rifle (lub for practice for the inter-collegiate outdoor matches, to be held

Practice on the range will be held

Kansas Women Gather.

EMPORIA Kan. May 5-The annual

To Give Lecture on

Rifle Club of G. W. U.

early this summer.

daily from June 5 to 15

certain shippers, with the un

Westminster Abbey

was announced today.

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REFUSES HEARINGS

day and Saturday evenings at 8 o'clock.

Meeting, District Federation of Women's Clubs, Eighth Street Temple, 9 s. m. Concert, United States Soldiers' Home Band, bandetand, 4 p. m.

#### Amusements.

National—"Robin Hood," 8:15 p. m. Belasco—"With the Fighting Forces of Europe," motion pictures, 2:30 and 8:20 Europe," motion pictures, size and elep m.

Columbia—"Bright Eyes," 8:15 p. m.
Polits—"Nearly Marriel," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
B. F. Keith's—Vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
Cosmos—Vaudeville, continuous.
Crandall's—Photo plays, 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.
Garden—Photo plays, 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.
Strand—Photo plays, 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.
Arcade—Dancing, 8 p. m.
Gayety—Burleaque, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
Majestic—Vaudeville and burleaque, continuous.

#### Tomorrow.

ircus, Men's Club of St. Stephen's Church, in church, Fourteenth street and Columbia eting. Associated Charities, banquet hall, Raleigh, 8 p. m., nanual meeting, District D. A. R. Memorial Continental Hall, 3 p. m. Dinner, Delta Tau Phi Praternity, cabinet room, New Willard, 7 p. m. fone Club Chorus, 14 Jackson place north-

Home Club Chorus, 16 Jackson place northwest, 8 p. m.

Dinner, class of 1912, Georgetown University Law School, University Club, 8 p. m.

Meeting, New York State Voters, Chamber of Commerce, 7:30 p. m.

Masonic-Naval, No. 4; Hiram, No. 10; Masonic-Naval, No. 4; Hiram, No. 10; Masonic-Naval, No. 4; Hiram, No. 10; Screemonial session, New Willard, No. 15; Ceremonial session, New Willard, No. 15; Ceremonial session, New Willard, No. 15; Ceremonial session, New Willard, No. 15; Excelsior, No. 17; Anights of Pythias-Franklin, No. 2; Celdwell Company, No. 7, Uniform Rank, Maccabes-Georgetown Tent, No. 6, Woodmen of the World-Cypress Camp, No. 7; Maple Grove, No. 5, Ladies' Circle, National Union-William H. Collins Council, Knights of Columbus-Spaiding Council, No. 29.

Modern Woodmen of America-Columbus, Modern Woodmen of America-Columbus

# LANCASTER LODGE GIVE PLAY AGAIN **COMING TO CAPITAL**

'Pride and Prejudice" Will Be Visiting Masons Will Be the Presented on Friday and Guests of Harmony Lodge Saturday at Normal School. May 14 and 15.

> May 14 and 15. The visitors will attend a special communication of the M. M. degree of Harmony Lodge Friday evening at 7, which will be followed by a banquet at the Gordon.

for Saturday, and luncheon will be served at Carvel Hall. An automobile trip through Washing-ton's parks is planned for Friday. Robert H. Young is chairman of the committee on arrangements. The subommittee on automobiles is composed Johnson R. Zimmerman, chafrman of Johnson R. Zimmerman, chairman; John T. May, G. Manson Foot, Louis Simon, and Frank Shull. The sub-committee on the banguet is headed by Italy has more to lose by a German victory than any other country save France. German victory means the overshadowing of Italy by the Germanic federation. No matter what fine promises may be made to
what fine promises may be made to
Italy has more to lose by a German victory means as used with most startling effect on the action of the play.

The drama contains more surprises to each dramatic moment that any plece that has been produced for several seasons, and it has been secured for stock production by the Poli management in the ward steele, Mr. Denny; Roger Cohen, Howard Kernodle, Mr. Wickham; Edproduction by the Poli management in the ward steele, Mr. Denny; Roger Cohen, Howard Steele, Mr. Denny; Roger the visiting women on Friday evening.

#### Coy, footmen. The feminine roles will be sustained. Mrs. White Discusses Women's Work in War

Mrs. John J. White. national vice president of the Woman's Peace Party Sherburne G. Hopkins, jr., better known as "Peggy" Hopkins, of this city. The given between the acts by Samuel terest with Nazimova and "War Brides" leech, "15, planist; Chester La Follette, with the Kelth audiences, last night with the Keith audiences last night. The members of the Woman's Peace Party were out in force, as they were Monday afternoon and night.

At both performances of the great peace drama yesterday Mrs. White ad-English at Western High School, has been "coach" for the play. Miss Fay Hull is chairman of the committee on dressed the audience briefly on the wor of the women in war, and invited all women to join the peace party.

### **Associated Charities** To Have Open Meeting

"Volunteers at Work" will be the gen eral topic of the concluding public meeting of the Associated Charities at the Raleigh tomorrow evening. Brief talks will be made by volunteer workers on such topics as "The Friendly Visitor at Work" "What the 'Big Sister' Can pater." "The Volunteer as an Investigator." "The Big Brother a Friendly Visitor," and "The Work of the Stamp 'ollector.

A general invitation has been ex-tended to the public to attend this meet-ing, as it is one of a series especially intended to acquaint the public with the work of the Associated Charities.

#### MAIL BAG (From The Times' Readers.)

Communications to the Mail Bag must be written on one side of the paper only; must not exceed 200 words in length, and must be signed with name and address of the sender. The publication of letters in The Times' Mail Bag does not mean the indorsement by The Times of the opinions of the writer. The Mail Bag is an open forum, where the citizens of Washington can argue most questions.

A Familiar Sidewalk Pest. To the Editor of THE TIMES: Permit me to register a yelp against

pest of which I have seldom heard a omplaint, and yet which is often encountered on our city streets. It is the group of women, or men, or women and The Rev. J. J. Dimon will give an men, who string out across the side-illustrated lecture on "Westminster walk and take up the whole space. I Abbey," under the suspices of the have witnessed a bunch of callow youths their hats pulled down about their ears, each toting an odorous exarette, lin arms and take up the entire right of wa on Pennsylvania avenue. Next to two women with umbrellas and a baby carriage said callow youths are the most obnoxious things on a public sidewalk.

EL GROUCHO. Washington April 2.

## Why Don't You Get a Toupe?

To the Editor of THE TIMES: I am in an unusually peculiar position. live on a line where the street car company, contrary to its midsummer policy, is now running open cars. If wear my straw hat to work at 7:00 in the morning. I nearly freeze my nigh-hairless pate. It I wear the little old last year's derby. I am not comme il fait when I lock up the safe and hie to pleasure fields at t p. n

meeting of the State Federation of trader kindly offer suggestion.
Women's Clubs convened for three days' session washington. April 30. TROUBLES.

Prince and Former Miss Waters Forgiven by Her Parents After Elopement.

NEW YORK, May 5.-Prince Ludevice Pignatelli d'Aragon and his bride, who was Miss Ruth Morgan Waters. today are on their honeymoon, "tickled to death" with the forgiveness of the lafter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Jason Waters, of this city and Philadelphia The couple left early this morning for

Braving her father's anger, Miss Waters was married at noon yesterday to the prince. The bride's father a good talking to," as he put it, for concealing their engagement from him and then eloping under his very eyes. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Scott. S. J., in the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola. It was in this church that the bride embraced the Roman Catholic faith about a year

Mr. Waters, at his country place on the Shrewsbury river, opposite Red Bank, N. J., said the couple simply ran off and got married.

"I'd hate to tell you what I said to them," said Mr. Waters, "but I gave them a good talking to, you can say. My young son, J. Behrens Waters, was the only one of the family that know the only one of the family that knew definitely the marriage was to take place, and it was purposely kept from me because they knew how angry I would be over it. Of course, after the ceremony had taken place there was only one thing for me to do—forgive only one thing for me to do-forgive

the church, where only half a dozen friends of the popular young woman of society and the picturesque relative of King Alfonso of Spain witnessed their Mrs. Waters, however, soon

riage. Prince Pignatelli had as best man Comte de Heeren, a brother of Arturo Heeren, of Philadelphia, who married Miss Fernanda Wanamaker. His bride wore a suit of blue taffeta and broad-cloth, trimmed with military braid, and a small hat There was a wedding breakfast in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. Prince Pignatelli, who owns one of the highest priced automobiles on Long Island, in which he often "burns up" the turnpikes, receives from England twice a month a large allowance, said to be sent by his mother, who is of the Cavendish family, a descendant of one of the dukes of Devonshire.

In the usual course of events, he will some day inherit a considerable fortune. His living in this course viscourse is some day.

His living in this country is to some ex-tent due to his having been embroiled several years ago in a movement to oust his relative. King Alfonso, from the Spanish throne. He and forty othrs were imprisoned.

era were imprisoned.

The prince was born in Biarrits.
France. His father was Prince Louis
Pignatelli, of Madrid. He is thirty-seven
years old and the bride twenty-two,
Prince and Princess Pignatelli have
no definite arangements for the sum-

St. Patrick's Singers Will Entertain in Carroll Hall Tonight-Dancing to Follow.

A concert by the sanctuary choir of St. Patrick's Church, with dancing to follow, will be given in Carroll Hall tonight. The program will include classic, popular, and folk music, with accompaniment played by a full or-

chestra. The day festivities of St. Patrick's Church children were inaugurated last night in Carroll Hall, when the pupils of St. Patrick's Academy gave an excellent presentation of "Everysoul," a religious operetta, the music and words of which were composed by the Rev. J. F. X. O'Connor, a pro-fessor of Georgetown University. The entertainment was under direction of Miss Katherine Lackey. The principal characters were very capably presented and the scenes of the operation were artistically smade by volunteer workers ics as "The Friendly Visitor "What the 'Big Sister' Can Volunteer as an Investi."

Which tiny girls garbed in imitation of the pretty feathered creatures

The chief characters and girls who played them are: Angel. Beatrice Cosgrove: Everysoul. Elizabeth Dillon: Nature, Julia Kernan; Fortitude, Alma Roche: Zeal, Nettie Everett. Gladness, Helen Hess; Sorrow, Virginia Jones: Pleasure, Minnie McDonald; Hope, May McKeever; Mirth, Agnes Corkery: Fun, Abbey Ahern; Laughter, Irene Spauls; Jollity, Alice Wolfe: Imps of Darkness, Kathleen Hull, Alice Burke, and Elsie Peyton, and Spirits of Light, Jennie Peyton, and Spirits of Light, Jennie Snider, Effic Bresnahan, and Anna

### Co-operative Egg Circles In Communities Urged

Co-operative egg circles in all communities are being urged by the Department of Agriculture. These egg circles grade and market a community's product on a co-operative plan, securing top prices, it is declared.

Better than this, the experts say, such co-operative marketing, with proper packing will save an annual loss in eggs in the United States that runs into mil-

#### Washington Rated With Most Beautiful Cities

Athens, Rome and Washington were given as types of the tity beautiful in a lecture before the Municipal Art So-ciety and the rightimore Society of the Archaeological Institute in Baltimore last right by Prof. Mitchell Carroll, general secretary of the Archaelogical Institute of America.

Y. W. C. A. in Convention. LOS ANGELES, May 5 .- The Young Women's Christian Association began its blennial convention here today Ses-sions will be held every day until

# Municipal Art Show.

NEW YORK, May 5.- The Municipal Art Society began its exhibition of a \* art today. The purpose is to show the city is doing artistically. Th hibition will last until May 20.